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Attachments: OIG Draft Project OA&E-FY-19 0091 EtO Communications Management Alert.pdf

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Region 6,

Attached is the draft management alert report, "Prompt Action Needed to Communicate Risks to Residents Living Near Facilities with Significant Ethylene Oxide Emissions", Project No. OA&E-FY19-0091. You were interviewed during the audit, hence, I am forwarding for your review and comment.

The OIG made one recommendation to EPA's Associate Deputy Administrator involving Regional Offices, see page 8 of the report. Please review the report for factual accuracy. If you have input on the proposed recommendation, please provide per below.

The Agency is required to provide a response within 15 days, or by **October 31, 2019**. Since the Office of the Administrator will be consolidating comments and providing the response to the OIG, Region 6 will need to send

comments a few days before - I'm finding out and will pass on to you asap and in what format the comments need to be in

Also, I'd appreciate if you'd let me know whom the contact in R6 will be for consolidating our comments. If you have any questions please let me know. Thanks to everyone for your assistance.

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Attached is the draft OIG report: Management Alert: Prompt Action Needed to Communicate Risks to Residents Living Near Facilities with Significant Ethylene Oxide Emissions. Project No. OA&E-FY19-0091 for Agency review and comment. This draft report is subject to revision by the OIG and, therefore, does not represent the final position of the OIG. This draft report should not be distributed or disclosed to others except that you may distribute it to other persons in your organization to obtain their review and comments on the subjects reported.

We greatly appreciate the cooperation and assistance we have received from the Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards and the regional offices.

OIG management alert reports are usually issued as final with a 15 day response period after issuance. However, this report, as noted in the report's transmittal memorandum, is being issued in draft and the Agency's response is due to the OIG within 15 calendar days (October 31). The response should indicate the planned corrective actions and completion date for the report recommendation. If you do not concur with the proposed recommendation, please provide any alternative actions you wish to be considered for the final report. Your response should also identify any corrective actions already initiated or planned. If you or your staff have any questions, please contact me at (919) 541-1030 or Kevin Christensen, Assistant Inspector General for Audit and Evaluation, at (202) 566-1007 or <a href="mailto:christensen.kevin@epa.gov">christensen.kevin@epa.gov</a>.

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